

Greetings!



On behalf of the City of Orlando, I would like to thank the Islamic Center of Orlando for everything it has done for our community.

Orlando is a city for everyone. The Muslim community has grown considerably in the Orlando metro area in the last 10 years. We are proud to live in a diverse community; it is a community that believes every faith tradition is valuable.

1.8 billion Muslims across the world observe Ramadan. It is a time in which Muslims dedicate to refocus on purifying their souls and conduct through self-reflection, self-sacrifice and prayer. It is always an incredible honor to engage with the Muslim community in such an important time.

Iftar dinners are more than just a time to break the fast; they are also a time to be among family, friends and neighbors. This interfaith dinner it is a testimony to the spirit of Ramadan and the great work the Islamic Center of Orlando continues to do in our community.

I hope you enjoy your time together!

Ramadan Kareem!

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The Islamic Center of Orlando 11543 Ruby Lake Road Orlando, FL 32836

Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that I join the Islamic Center of Orlando in celebrating the holy month of Ramadan and welcoming you to the 7th Annual Ramadan Dinner.

The Quran teaches us that Ramadan serves as a time of guidance for mankind and as a month of introspection to focus on the important elements in life. I am pleased to learn the Islamic Center of Orlando has grown to encompass thousands of community members from converts to multi-generational families throughout the years. Your spiritual guidance has left a profound impact on others and this celebration commemorates the continuous fellowship you offer to the community.

On behalf of the people of Florida, I extend my best wishes to all in attendance this evening and wish you and all Muslims in America and around the world peace and blessings during the holy month of Ramadan.

Sincerely,

Marco Rubio United States Senator



## Florida House of Representatives

## Representative Carlos Guillermo Smith

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Dear Imam Rasheed,

Thank you for inviting me and welcoming my staff to attend The Islamic Center of Orlando's Ramadan Dinner. The level of solidarity between marginalized communities in the Orlando area fills me with hope, and I truly thank you for all the work you do in the community.

In Equality,

Representative Carlos Guillermo Smith Florida House of Representatives, District 49

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